

PATENT ATTORNEY DOCKET NO. 041094-5017

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

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| In re A | Application of: | | | | |
| Nobuc | o IWASAKI, et al. | Confirmation No: 5585 | | | |
| Applio | cation No.: 10/017,505 | Group Art Unit: 3652 | | | |
| Filed: | December 18, 2001 | Examiner: T. Tran | | | |
| For: | DEVICE FOR CARRYING ARTICLE INTO AND FROM CONTAINER, METHOD FOR INTRODUCING AND DISCHARGING ARTICLE INTO AND FROM CONTAINER, AND PALLET FOR) CARRYING ARTICLE) | RECEIVEE MAY 1 1 2004 GROUP 360 | | | |
| | nissioner for Patents gton, VA 22202 | | | | |
| Sir: | | | | | |
| | AMENDMENT TRANSM | MITTAL FORM | | | |
| 2. | Transmitted herewith is a Request For Reconsideration responding to the Office Action dated February 13, 2004. | | | | |
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3. Extension of Time

| - | oceedings herein are for R. § 1.136(a) apply. | or a patent application | and the provisions of | | |
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| | Applicants believe that no extension of time is required. However, this conditional petition is being made to provide for the possibility that applicants have inadvertently overlooked the need for a petition and fee for extension of time. | | | | |
| | Applicants petition for an extension of time, the fees for which are set out in 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(a), for the total number of months checked below: | | | | |
| | Total Months Requested | Fee for Extension | [Fee for Small Entity] | | |
| | one month two months three months four months | \$ 110.00 \$ 420.00 \$ 950.00 \$ 1,480.00 | \$ 55.00 \$ 210.00 \$ 475.00 \$ 740.00 | | |
| | Extension of time fee due with this request: \$ 0.00. | | | | |
| | If an additional extension of time is required, please consider this a Petition therefor. | | | | |
| | An extension formonths has already been secured and the fee paid therefor of \$ is deducted from the total fee due for the total months of extension now requested. | | | | |
| Constr | uctive Petition | | | | |
| | EXCEPT for issue fees payable under 37 C.F.R. § 1.18, the Commissioner is hereby authorized by this paper to charge any additional fees during the entire pendency of this application including fees due under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16 and 1.17 which may be required, including any required extension of time fees, or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account 50-0310. This paragraph is intended to be a | | | | |

CONSTRUCTIVE PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME in accordance with

37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a)(3).

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5. <u>Fee Calculation</u> (37 C.F.R. §1.16)

| CLAIMS AS AMENDED | | | | | | |
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| | Claims Remaining After Amendment | | Highest No. Previously Paid | Present Extra | at Rate of | Total Fees |
| Total Claims (37 C.F.R. §1.16(c)) | 18 | minus | 20 | 0 | x \$18 each= | +\$ 0.00 |
| Independent Claims (37 C.F.R.§1.16(b)) | 4 | minus | 3 | 1 | x \$86 each= | + \$ 86.00 |
| [] First presentation of Multiple dependent claim(s) \$290.00 | | | | | | |
| SUB-TOTAL = | | | | | | |
| Reduction by ½ for filing by a small entity | | | | | | |
| TOTAL FEE = | | | | | | \$ 86.00 |

6. <u>Fee Payment</u>

- The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge <u>\$86.00</u> for additional claims fee due to Deposit Account No. 50-0310.
- The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required, including fees due under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16 and 1.17, or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account 50-0310.

Respectfully submitted,

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AMENDMENT AND

REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.111

In response to the Non-Final Office Action dated February 13, 2004 (Paper No. 9), the period of response extends until May 13, 2004, Applicants amend the above-identified application as follows: